including those which have occurred since the last meeting. They agreed to continue to work to identify measures, exchange specific information and assist in investigations.

(b) The details are given below:—

Years	2005	2006	2007 (till Nov. 28)
No. of terrorist related incidents	1990	1667	1042

(c) The Government in tandem with the State Government, have adopted a multi-pronged approach, to contain cross-border infiltration/terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir, which includes, *inter-alia,* strengthening of border management and multi-tiered and multi-modal deployment along International Border/Line of Control and near the ever changing inflitration routes, construction of border fencing, improved technology, weapons and equipment for security forces, improved intelligence and operational coordination and synergizing intelligence flow to check infiltration and pro-active action against the terrorists within the State. The counter infiltration efforts are reviewed periodically at various levels in the State Government (including the two Unified Headquarters headed by the Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir) and in the Central Government.

Conversion of the post of administrator of Lakshadweep to that of Lt. Governor

1694. PROF. P.J. KURIEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to convert the post of Administrator for Lakshadweep to that of a Lt.Governor;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Police reform regarding treatment to accused

1695. SHRIMATI SYEDDA ANWARA TAIMUR :
SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA:
Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the observations of JNU Study Team where they have highlighted the alleged police-politician nexus in Nithari case and how the poor and common man is shabbily treated in police stations;

(b) if so, whether in the proposed Police Reforms this aspect will be given specific importance with a view to ensuring that victims are not subjected to misbehavior and abuse because of their being poverty-stricken and also not constituting a "votebank"; and

(c) whether the police personnel will be adequately trained to atleast know basics like "Witness Protection Act", etc.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI ASH JAISWAL): (a) Ministry of Women and Child Development constituted an inquiry Committee to investigate into the sexual abuse and killing of children in Nithari (Noida). No study report from JNU Study Team on alleged police-politician nexus in Nithari case was received by them.

(b) In order to have a re-look at the role and functions of the Indian Police, Soli Sorabjee Committee was constituted to draft a New Police Act to replace Police Act of 1861 which submitted to the Government a draft Model Police Act which provides for well-defined duties and responsiveness and sensitivity of the Police towards public especially the weaker and vulnerable sections and accountability to rule of law. The copy of the draft Model Police Act as framed by the Committee has been sent to all the States for consideration and appropriate action as 'Police' is a State Subject under the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution.

(c) The Government is laying emphasis on proper training, orientation and skill upgradation of police force. The Bureau of Police Research and Development prepares suitable training syllabi for the police forces across the country and sends these to States. The subjects of gender sensitization, human rights, victimology,concerns for the weaker sections, including woman and members of the Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe are included in the training modules. Sardar Vallabbhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad organizes training of IPS probationers laying emphasis on the importance of inculcating proper attitude and sensitivity towards people.

Punishing people filing false dowry related cases

†1696. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been an increase in the dowry related cases during the last few years;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last five years, State-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a tendency of registering false FIRs is increasing to get the bride-groom party people trapped in these cases; and

(d) if so, whether some way out will be considered to punish the people making false complaints in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) As per the statistics compiled by the National Crime Records Bureau, a total of 6822,6208, 7026, 6787 and 7618 cases were registered under Dowry Death during 2002—2006 respectively thereby showing a mixed trend. A total of 2816, 2684, 3592, 3204 and 4504 cases were registered under Dowry Prohibition Act during 2002—2006 respectively thereby also showing a mixed trend.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.